Youth's Department.

Conducted by Lottie Holsinger.

Gentle Words.

Like to the unseen angels,
Who guide us on our way,
Whose influence curbs our waywardness,
And checks when we would stray;
Like to the sweet resistless joy
Their presence blest accords,
Is that our restless, tired hearts feel
At sound of gentle words.

From out the depths of peaceful hearts,
Where dwell no thoughts of strife,
They glide with tranquil, even flow,
To gild our path of life;
Like zephyrs, when the fervent heat
Of sultry noon departs,
Do gentle, kindly little words
Fall soothingly on hearts.

Who utters them knows not the power—
The magic they possess,
Our rebel natures to subdue,
Our daily lives to bless;
While half-unconscously they fall
They sweetly lead to right,
Whi'e fretful tones and anery words
Home's happy aspect blight.

In gentle words a secret dwells—
A blessedness their own—
Whose potency is only felt
Where passion's storms have blown;
Stilled are the feelings which held sway
Within the heart's domain,
Whose ceaseless, noisy tumult there
Begets unrest and pain.

As does the slum'bring swake
Beneath the welcome breeze,
As 'neath the freshening dews revive
The fragrant flowers and trees;
So gentle words, where'er they drop,
Bring comfort, calm and rest,
And countless blessings every day
Their wondrous power attest.

Our Scripture Lesson For July 6th.

Read 2 Samuel 5 : 1—12.

In the latter part of last year we studied David's preparation for the ruling of Israel. Now we learn David's history as king. Special attention has been called to this history for the young. Many good lessons may be found to help young men in the forming of noble characters.

Israel waited long for their king, and became weary and impatient, because God did not act in accordance with their will and then God gave them a king in anger. We should never interfere with providence, for if we do we will injure ourselves as well as others. We must not become impatient, else we, like Israel, will receive the ruling of a Saul instead of a David. Remember "All things are his who has learned to wait." When we interfere with the Divine order of things we are in danger of receiving the contrary of our desires. If we are not decided how to act toward each other, find out how the Scriptures would have us trust to God and He in His wisdom and love will do that which is best for us.

The tribes of Israel did well when they called themselves David's "bone and flesh." So should we acknowledge our rulers and thus show our willingness not to interfere with God's workmen lest we interfere with the will of God.

No selfish man can be happy. We are happy only in the proportion that we give happiness to others. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." and in giving we gain more than we give. David sought the will of the Lord and acted as his true servant.

Who was king over Israel while David was preparing for his reign?

Where was David annointed and before whom?

How long did David reign over Judah?

How long over Judah and Jerusalem?

Who were Jebusites and what did they say to David?

Did David succeed in taking Zion?

What reply did David make concerning the Jebusites?

What did the king of Tyre send to David and what did they do for him?

What did David perceive the Lord had done for him?

I promised to give a weekly report of the amount in the Dewdrop treasury, and here it is:

Julia A. Wood - - - - -	.50
L. Holsinger - - - - - -	1.00
Lizzie Markley - - - - -	.10
Total - - - -	$1.60

Next week I will give you the names of the officers of the Ashland Dewdrop club.

Now we have a Dew Drop club organized in Ashland, and we call it the Ashland Dew Drop Club. We will meet every Sunday morning, a little while before Sunday school time, keep an account of the donations, tell each other how we get along, and new ways to help our work. It only takes about fifteen minutes, and we are through with our work. A report can be made out by the secretary during the week and sent to the EVANGELIST, once a month.

Superintendents, fathers, mothers, we want you to help us. Teach those entrusted to your care true liberality. Help form societies among your little ones that will give them independent work in this respect. Hope soon to hear of other Dew Drop clubs being formed. God bless the good work among the children.

Thanks to sister Julia Wood for the encouraging letter she wrote. It helps us to know that others are looking on and commending the while.

Letters from the Children

Dear Editor; It has been a good while since I wrote my last letter, so I will write again. Our school is out. It closed a week sooner than usual on account of Scarlet fever. I passed into grade C. Our new school house will be ready next term. I go to the Christian Sunday school and sometimes to the Lutheran in the afternoon. There is no Brethren's Sunday school here and I wish there were. I will ask a a question: where does the word Philadelphia occur in the New Testament. We are having warm weather here and a person feels like setting in the shade all the time. I think the Youth's Department is getting more interesting every time.

HARVEY MIKESELL.

Troy, Ohio.

Yes, Harvey, it has been a long while since you first wrote to us, and we missed you. I have been wondering why you did not write.

Too bad school had to close on account of disease. It pleases me to hear that you passed in your studies. It encourages me to know that you are becoming more interested in our work. Hope you will write oftener to us hereafter. Your writing is remarkably well, you have improved some since first you wrote to us.

I am thirteen years old. Our school is out. I studied Arithmetic, Reading, Grammar, Geography, Writing, History and Spelling. I will answer Emma Armstrong's question for her: The book of Esther has neither the word Lord nor God in it.

WILLIAM LONGAKER.

Lapaz, Ind.

Do you attend Sunday school and what do you do now that you have no school? We are glad to have you write and hope we will hear from you, soon again.

I will try to write a letter for the Youth's Department. I am thirteen years old. I was born in Weaverville, Humboldt county, California, and when I was seven my parents moved to Arizona and there my papa died in the year 1879, and then my mamma and we four children moved to Ashland, Ohio, where my papa was born and raised. In the year 1883 my mamma died and now I live with my grandma Markley. I have one sister and two brothers. I go to Sabbath school every Sabbath. I like my teacher very much. Miss Lottie Holsinger is my teacher. I have committed 160 verses. I hope you are all Sabbath school scholars as that is a good way to get knowledge of the Scriptures. How many children have not got the privilege which we enjoy. I want to be a member of the Dewdrop club. I send ten cents to help the good work on. This is my first attempt.

LIZZIE MARKLEY.

Ashland, Ohio.

Lizzie writes a good letter, i know you will all say. She is one of brightest Sunday school scholars, and has nearly committed the whole of the Sermon on the Mount. Thank you, Lizzie, for the promise to help our club along. Hope many more will follow your example.

Advice to Boys.

You are learning a trade. That is a good thing to have. It is better than gold. Brings always a premium. But to bring a premium, the trade must be perfect—no silver plated affair. When you go to win a trade, do so with a determination to win. Make up your mind what you will be, and be it. Determine in your mind to be a good workman. Have pluck and patience. Look out for the interests of your employer—thus you will learn to look out for your own. Do not wait to be told everything. Remember. Act as though you wished to learn. If you have an errand to do start off like a boy with some life. Look about you. See how the best workman in the shop does, and copy after him. Learn to do things well. Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well. Never slight your work. Every job you do is a sign. If you have done one in ten minutes see if you cannot do the next in nine. Too many boys spoil a life-time by not having patience. They work at a trade till they see about half its mysteries, and then strike for higher wages. Act as though your interest and the interest of your employer were the same. Good mechanics are the props of society. They are those who stuck to their trades until they learned them. People always speak well of a boy who minds his own business—who is willing to work, and who seems disposed to be somebody in time. Learn the whole of your trade.

One of the most important duties of the church and the Sabbath-school is to train the young in habits of benevolent giving. This duty is often neglected, on the ground that the gifts of the young are small. If this were true, it would not make the effort to collect what they might give less important. But they need not be small. Many schools can show a noble record in this respect. In writing for material to awaken interest among the scholars, the superintendent of the Congregational Sabbath school in Farmington, Conn., which has an average attendance of not far from one hundred and fifty scholars and teachers, reports that last year $560.20 were collected by the school for benevolent objects, over and above the amount raised for the expenses of the school. This amount has been reached by a gradual increase for several years past, and the superintendent well adds, "There is scarcely any limit to what superintendents and teachers can do, who have a mind to work." May there be many more who have that mind!—*Missionary Herald*

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Akron	3 11	12 05pm	11 43	6 47
Kent	3 35	12 55	12 05am	7 30
Ravenna	3 45		12 17	7 42
Arrive. Leavitsbrg	4 20		12 55	8 25
Cleveland	6 30			10 20
Youngstwn	5 00		1 50	9 30
Pittsburg	8 02		5 50	12 45pm
Warren Dp	4 32		1 12	8 42am
Greenville	5 40		2 30	9 55
Arrive. Meadville	6 30		3 25	10 40
Leave Meadville	6 45		3 35	11 10
Union City	7 38		4 37	12 12pm
Corry	7 58		5 00	12 40
Jamestown	8 47		5 57	1 35
Arrive Salamanca	9 45		7 10	2 40
Buffalo			10 20	6 50
Rochester			1 58pm	9 20
Elmira	2 51am		1 40	8 05
Binghamptn	4 30		3 19	11 05
Albany	2 20pm			6 00am
Boston				2 45pm
New York	11 10am		10 10pm	6 50am
Boston			6	3 55pm

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STATIONS.	No 1	No 3	No 5	No 11
Leave Ashland	8 00am	8 08pm	2 07pm	5 15pm
Mansfield	8 35	8 55	2 37	6 30
Arrive Chicago		8 00am		
Leave Galion	9 15	9 35pm	3 10	7 30
Marion	9 56	10 18	3 45	
Arrive Chicago	8 20pm	8 21am		
Leave Urbana	12 03	1 00am	5 08	
Springfield	12 33	1 50	5 32	
Arrive Dayton	1 20	3 10	6 10	
Cincinnati	3 40	12 30	8 15	
Louisville	11 40	2 35pm	6 20am	
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Crown P	9 55	7 00	4 27	8 40am
Rochester	12 19pm	9 02	7 00	2 30pm
Hunt'ton	1 50	10 25	8 30	5 50
" "	2 10	10 30	Colum-	6 00am
Decatur	3 30	11 32	bus Acc	9 00
Lima	5 10	1 02am	6 00am	1 45pm
Kenton	6 11	1 57	7 00	4 20
Marion	7 10	2 50	8 00	6 20
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WESTWARD.

Stations.	Way Freight	Chicago Accom.	Pacific Express	Chicago Express
N.Y.P. & O.				
Marion	5 00pm	6 50am	10 25pm	10 10am
Kenton	7 45	7 20	†1 15	11 05
Lima	10 10	8 28	12 05am	12 02
Decatur	5 00am		1 44	1 35pm
Hunt'ton	7 10		2 50	2 40
" "	6 40	6 35am	2 55	2 55
Rochester	9 55	8 10am	4 19	4 15
Crown P	3 32pm	10 30	6 33	6 30
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